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Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 11, 2002 (Paper No. 6), finally rejecting claims 1-21, 23, 24 and 26-28, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

In the Claims

1. (Twice Amended) A method of automatically highlighting focused objects within a preview window comprising the steps of:
 - receiving a digital representation of an image;
 - determining a near focus distance;
 - identifying near portions of objects within said image at said near focus distance;
 - determining a far focus distance;
 - identifying far portions of objects within said image at said far focus distance;
 - highlighting said near portions and said far portions of said objects within said image; and
 - disabling highlighting of said near portions and said far portions when a user-

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